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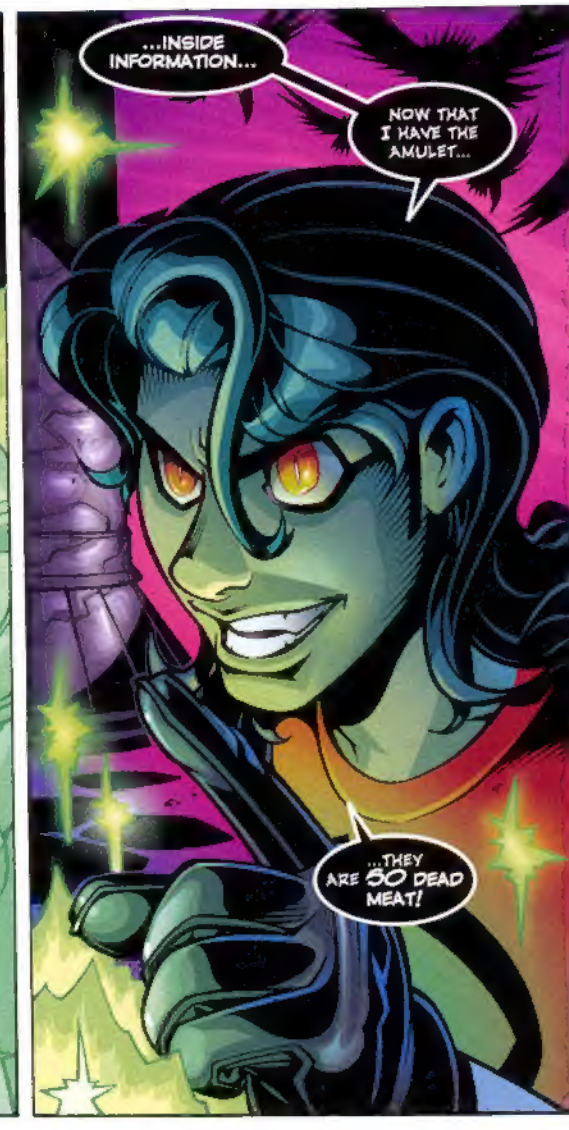
MAN, THIS IS PERFECT!
THE WAY MY 'HUNTERS AMBUSHED THOSE THREE JERKS, THEY'D BE STUPID NOT TO GIVE UP...! I MEAN, THEY'RE OUTNUMBERED FIVE TO THREE!!
—NOT TO MENTION THAT THEY JUST GOT SEVERELY SPANKED BY MY WATER SERPENTS BACK IN TORRENT...
...AND...
...NOW WE HAVE THE AMULET!
THEY'LL HAVE TO SURRENDER!
AND IF THEY DON'T...WELL THEN HAUZER HAS HIS ORDERS...
...AND I'LL HAVE A FRONT ROW SEAT! THE GIRL AND THE TIGER WILL DIE...

...AND ONCE I HAVE BOTH THAT WUSS, JAREK, AND THE AMULET IN MY POSSESSION...I'LL HAVE EVERYTHING I NEED...
...EVERYTHING...
...TO MAKE ALL OF TELLOS MY OWN!!

WHILE THEY HAD THE AMULET, THEY WERE HIDDEN TO ME...TO MY POWERS... CLOAKED AGAINST THE VISION OF THE DARKNESS...SAFE FROM MY EYES...
I WAS ONLY ABLE TO FIND THEM AND TRACK THEM IN TORRENT 'CAUSE I HAD SOME...


...INSIDE INFORMATION...
NOW THAT I HAVE THE AMULET...
...THEY ARE SO DEAD MEAT!

SHADOWJUMPER--POSITION A HANDFUL OF YOUR GUYS IN THIS GROUP OF TREES BEHIND THE BOUNTYHUNTERS. Y'KNOW, AS BACK-UP...JUST IN CASE...
WHAT, O MALESUR, IF THE 'HINDERS SHOULD ATTEMPT TO RETREAT BACK INTO THE STORMS OF TORRENT...?

PLANNED FOR THAT TOO, S.U.--I SENT A PLATOON OF FROGSOLDIERS TO FOLLOW THE 'HINDERS--AT A DISTANCE--DURING THEIR TREK THROUGH TORRENT...
THEY'RE WAITING THERE NOW, UNSEEN, JUST OVER THE BORDER...ALSO JUST IN CASE...
I'M TELLIN' YA...THAT LITTLE SNOT AND HIS FRIENDS...?

"...THEY HAVEN'T GOT A PRAYER...!"
OMIGODS!! YOU'RE RIGHT, RIKK--
--IT IS SERRA!!
YEAH, AND IT LOOKS LIKE SHE'S ABOUT TO HAVE HER SHAPELY LITTLE TAIL HANDED TO HER--

--BY A WHOLE BUNCHA DIFFERENT PEOPLE!
WE'VE GOTTA GET DOWN THERE AND HELP HER!--
--FAST!!

WHADDAYA WANT ME TO DO...?
HURRY!
IT'S AN AIRBOAT! YA CAN'T LAND 'EM FAS-

WHOA!! HAWKE! WHADDAYA DOIN'?!?
IF YA CAN'T LAND IT FAST--

--LET'S SEE HOW FAST YOU CAN CRASH IT!

SHHHHHHOOOOOOOOOO
ooooh, this is the most worst thing that's ever happened to me...
...AND SEE IF YA CAN'T HIT A COUPLE OF 'EM ON THE WAY DOWN TOO...!

IT WOULD APPEAR, TIGER, THAT WE ARE ONE FOR ANOTHER...
MY 'HUNTERS AND I HAVE BEEN CHARGED WITH SECURING THE BOY AND THE GEM. WE HAVE ONE--
SURRENDER THE STRIPLING TO US AND I WILL SEE THAT YOUR IMPRISONMENT IS WITHOUT TORTURE AND HARDSHIP.
WHRASSS
A PIRATE WENCH...? THIS SHOULD BE FUN!

WHAT SAY YOU?
SHING!
HA!

I WILL FIGHT TO THE DEATH TO PROTECT THAT BOY--
--AND WHILE HE IS IN JEOPARDY, I CAN NOT DIE!

SO BE IT. YOU CHOOSE DEATH. WE WERE ORDERED TO TAKE YOU BACK ALIVE, BUT I AM CERTAIN THAT I'D BE EXCUSED AT LEAST ONE CASUALTY.
MIND YOUR BACK, TUNRING!

KRASSH!!
HUNNGH!
KRUNK!
HUNH?!

LOOK!
umhh!

JAREK! STAY TO YOUR FOE! HE'LL BE OKAY...!
KOJ!
CLANG!

IS THAT WHAT YOU WANTED?! I GOT TWO OF 'EM!
YEAH, GOOD GOIN', IDIOT! I'M PRETTY SURE THAT GUY'S ON OUR SIDE...!

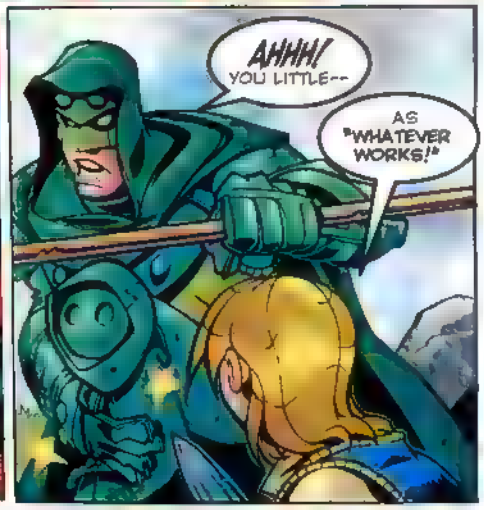
JESSA! D'NIKAY! WE HAVE THE AMULET. THAT'S ENOUGH.
FINISH THEM. KILL THEM BOTH.
BUT...THE BOY...?! DIDN'T MALESUR SAY--
YOU HAVE FAR MORE TO FEAR FROM ME THAN YOU DO MALESUR!
HE DOES NOT COMPREHEND THE THREAT THEY POSE! HE CAN HAVE THE AMULET, BUT THE 'HINDERS DIE! HERE.
EVEN THE BOY.
NOW DO IT.

YOU HEARD THE CAT--TIME TO SEE HOW MANY PLACES I CAN MAKE YOU--
HAWKE...?!
SHSSSHAA
SERRA! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?! NOT THAT I'M NOT HAPPY TO SEE YA, BUT--
SKLAK-K
HAWKE--
--DUCK!!
OOF! Y'KNOW--MAYBE NOW'S NOT A GOOD TIME...?
YA THINK...?
FOOL!
TALK TO YA LATER, SWEETIE!
IT'S A DATE!

I DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO HURT YOU, KID--SURRENDER NOW AND NO ONE WILL HAVE TO--
REALLY. .? IF I JUST GIVE UP AND SURRENDER TO YOU, EVERYTHING WILL BE OKAY...?

IN YOUR DREAMS, SHANDOAN!
YOU ARE FROM SHANDO-LI, RIGHT? THE SACRED ORDER THAT TEACHES THE ART OF "THE STAFF-OF-SHARPS!" NEVER EVEN SEEN ONE OF YOU BEFORE
I FIGHT "STREET"--

ALSO KNOWN.
CHING!

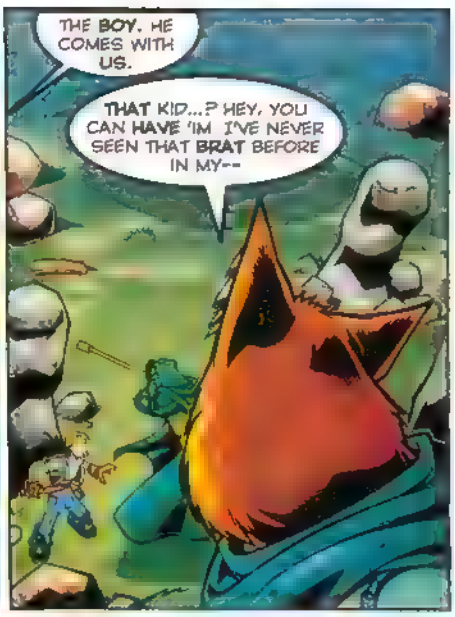

AHHH! YOU LITTLE--
AS "WHATEVER WORKS!"

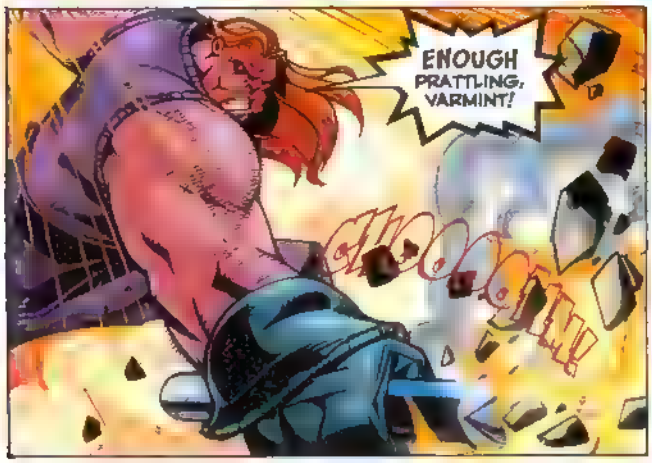
I SHOULD KILL THIS WHELP AS HAUZER DEMANDED...BUT WHAT PRICE WILL NEED BE PAID FOR DEFYING THE DREAD MALEGUR...?
HE IS THE UNKNOWN QUANTITY HERE--I CAN BATTLE THE CAT. BETTER TO CONFRONT THE DEVIL I KNOW...!

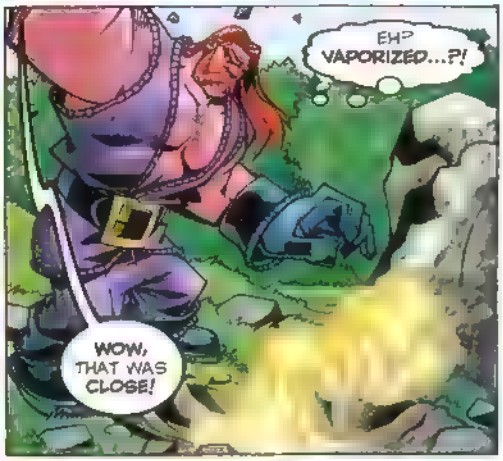
...AND IT WON'T BE MY PROBLEM ANY MORE IF I CAN JUST KEEP THE BOY OCCUPIED...AND AT A DISTANCE...!
KLANG
GAHHH!
KLONK
IF I CAN JUST GET INSIDE...
YOU MOVE WELL, ULF--
RRRRAH-!
--PERHAPS WE SHOULD CONTINUE THIS WITHOUT THE AID OF WEAPONS...?
HAI-!
YOU WILL FALL, WARRIOR!
YOU AND ALL YOUR FELLOWS WILL BE DEAD 'FORE THE MOONS'RISE!

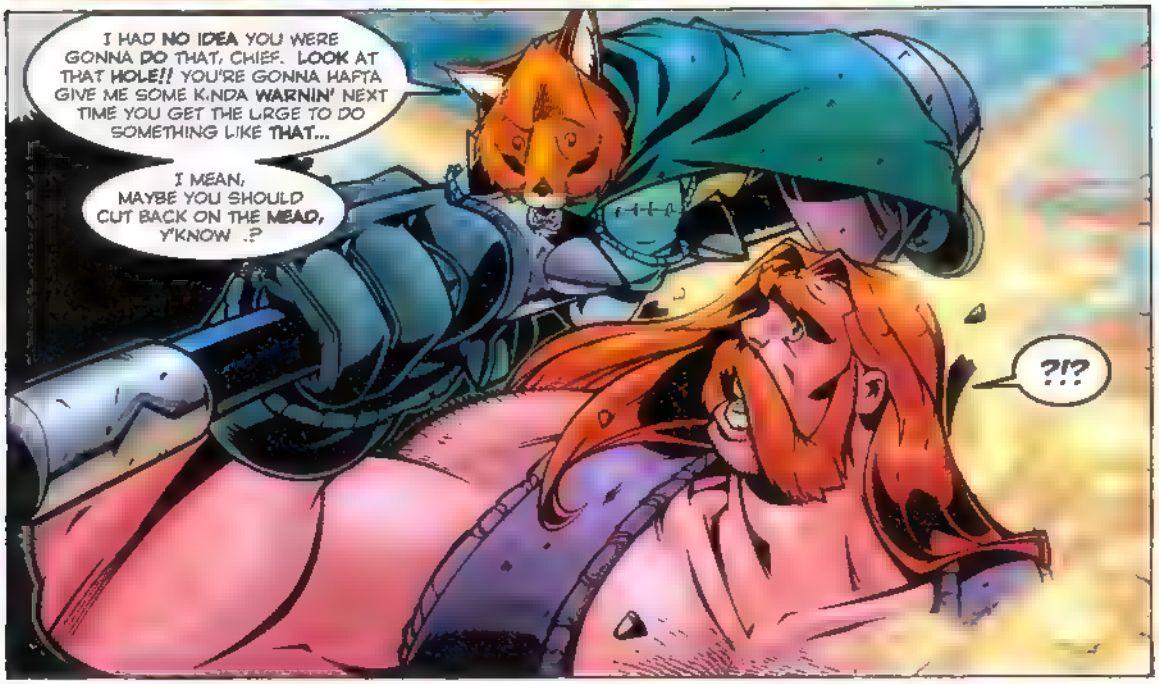
WELP, I GUESS THAT JUST LEAVES YOU AND ME, HUH, CHIEF?

BUT LISTEN . BEFORE WE START MIXIN' IT UP LIKE THE TWO INCREDIBLE STUDS WE ARE--
--Y'MIND TELLIN' ME WHAT ALL THIS IS ALL ABOUT?


THE BOY. HE COMES WITH US.
THAT KID...? HEY, YOU CAN HAVE 'IM I'VE NEVER SEEN THAT BRAT BEFORE IN MY--


ENOUGH PRATTLING, VARMINT!


EH? VAPORIZED...?!
WOW, THAT WAS CLOSE!


I HAD NO IDEA YOU WERE GONNA DO THAT, CHIEF. LOOK AT THAT HOLE!! YOU'RE GONNA HAFTA GIVE ME SOME KINDA WARNIN' NEXT TIME YOU GET THE URGE TO DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
I MEAN, MAYBE YOU SHOULD CUT BACK ON THE MEAD, Y'KNOW .?
?!?

YOU STROVE, WENCH, TO GET INSIDE THE RANGE OF MY GAUNTLET-- BUT I'M SURE YOU WISH NOW THAT YOU HADN'T--

--AS YOUR FLESH BURNS AND BLISTERS BENEATH IT'S SEARING HEAT!

AAAAAAAAAHHHHH!

UNGH!--

--NNGGG!--

SSKRRRRRIPP!

WH--WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!? DON'T---

I'LL BURN IF--

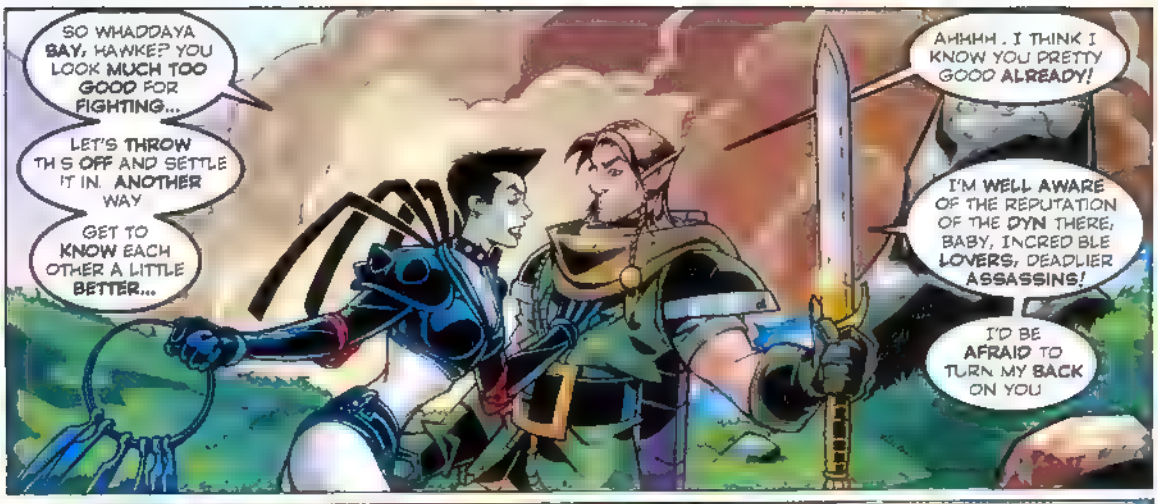
IT CAN'T BE EXPOSED...!

GASP!

YOU WITCH! YOU-- WHAT HAVE YOU DONE ?

AHHH!!!!!!!! YOU'LL PAY FOR THIS! YOU'LL PAY--!

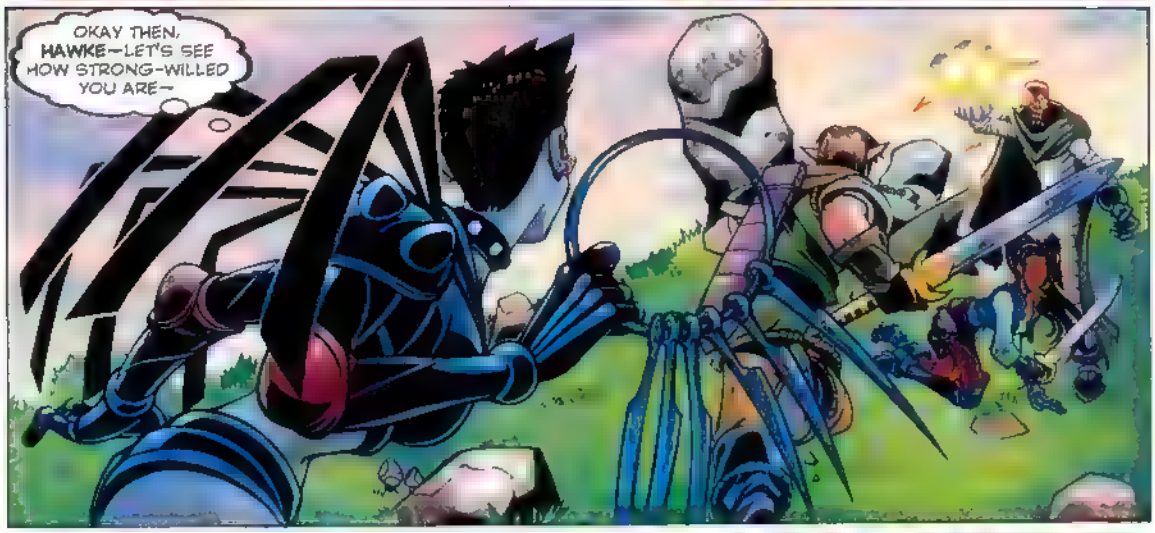
UNFF--

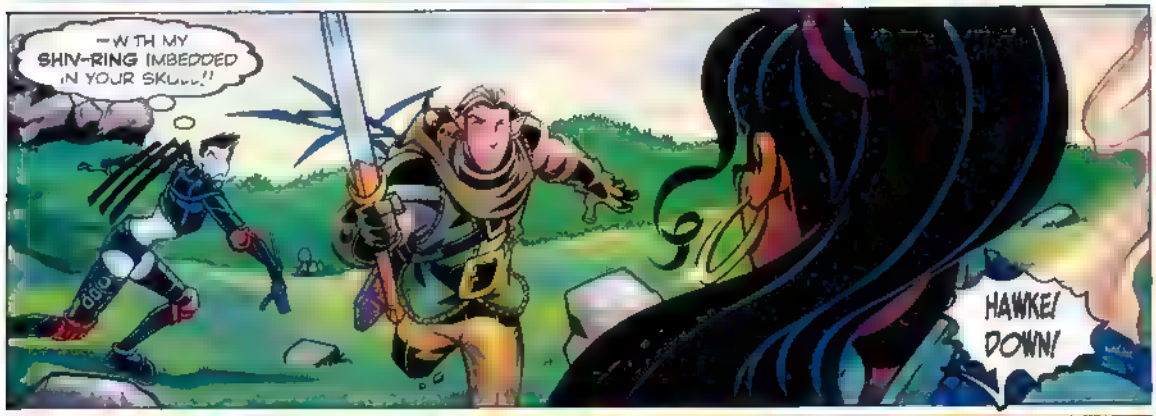

SO WHADDAYA SAY, HAWKE? YOU LOOK MUCH TOO GOOD FOR FIGHTING...
LET'S THROW THIS OFF AND SETTLE IT IN ANOTHER WAY
GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER A LITTLE BETTER...
AHHHH. I THINK I KNOW YOU PRETTY GOOD ALREADY!
I'M WELL AWARE OF THE REPUTATION OF THE DYN THERE, BABY, INCREDIBLE LOVERS, DEADLIER ASSASSINS!
I'D BE AFRAID TO TURN MY BACK ON YOU

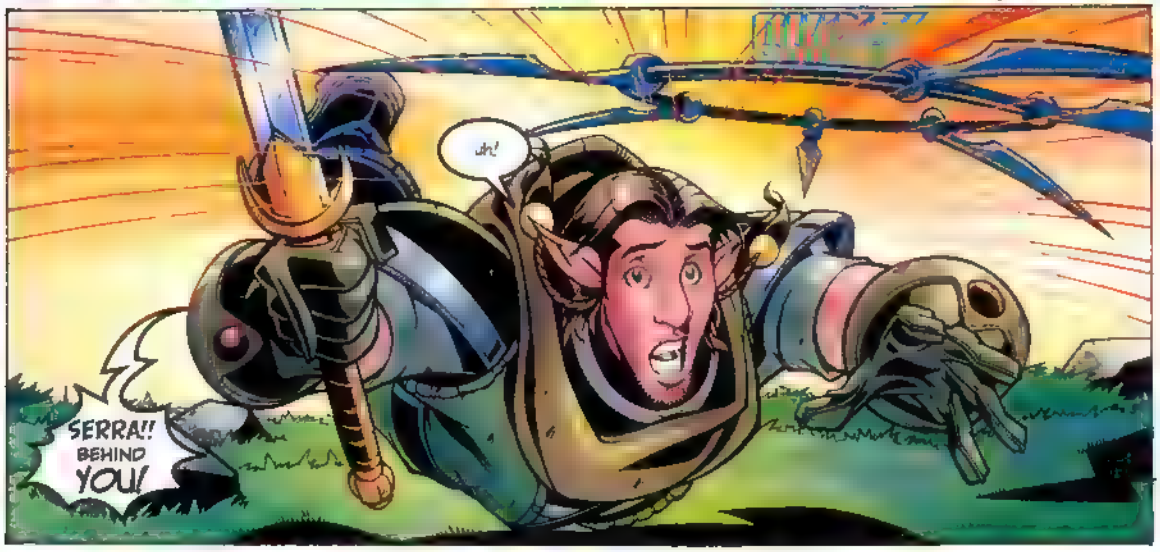
MMMM. THEN WE WON'T DO IT THAT WAY
MMMM TEMPTING! BUT, ACTUALLY Y'KNOW, I DO HAVE A GIRLFRIE--
--HUH?!?

WHA-?!
--SERRA!!!!

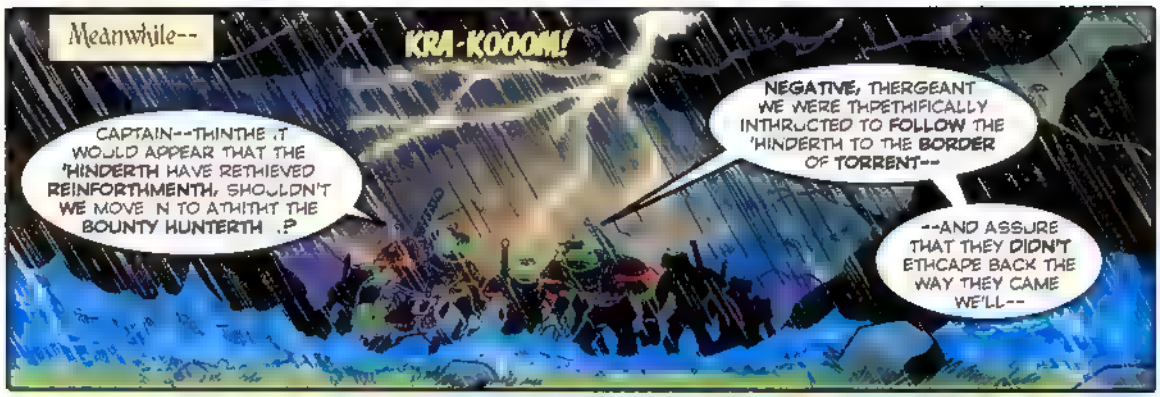
SO CLOSE! I ALMOST HAD HIM! THE ULFEN ARE USUALLY QUITE SUSCEPTIBLE TO A DYN'S 'CHARMS', BUT THIS ONE IS SO STRONG-WILLED..

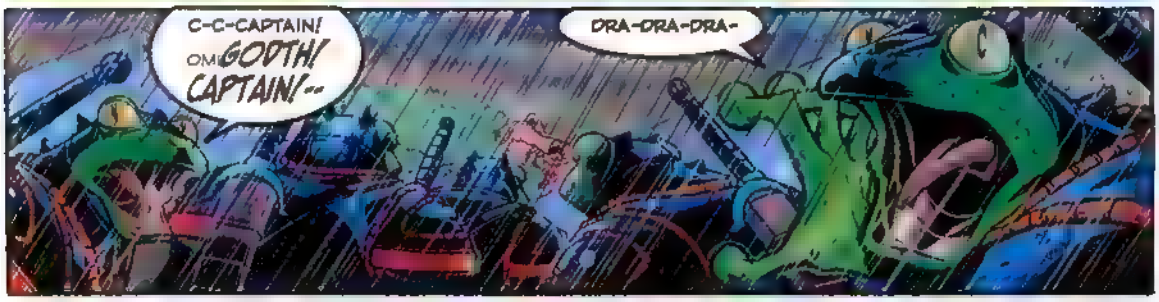

OKAY THEN, HAWKE—LET'S SEE HOW STRONG-WILLED YOU ARE—


—WITH MY SHIV-RING IMBEDDED IN YOUR SKULL!!
HAWKE! DOWN!


uh!
SERRA!! BEHIND YOU!

KRHK-K
WHAMZ
AARGGH!
CARELESS TRAMP! YOU'VE DAMAGED THE GAUNTLET!
I CAN'T CONTROL THE BUILDING ENERGIES! THEY--
EAT IT, STICK!
WHA-NO!
NOO-
ENNASTRRRR!





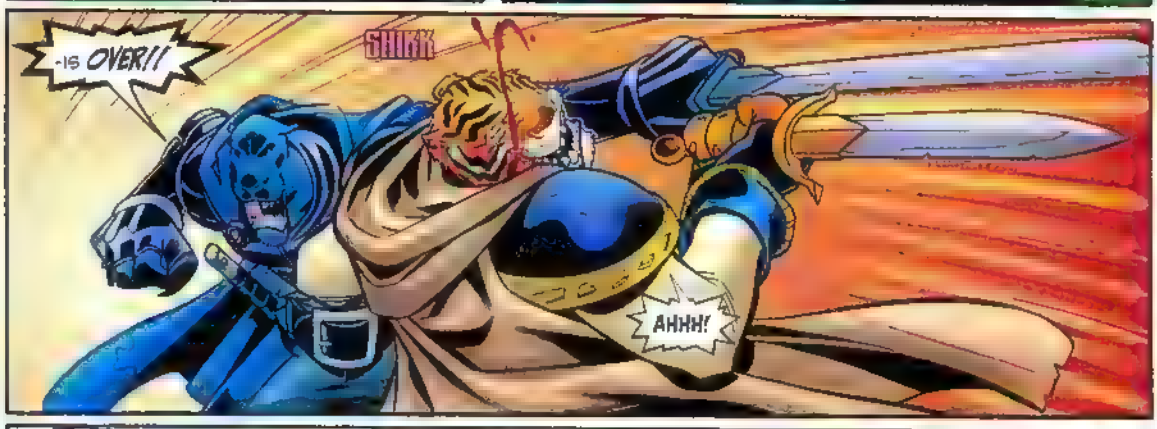
DRAGON!!!

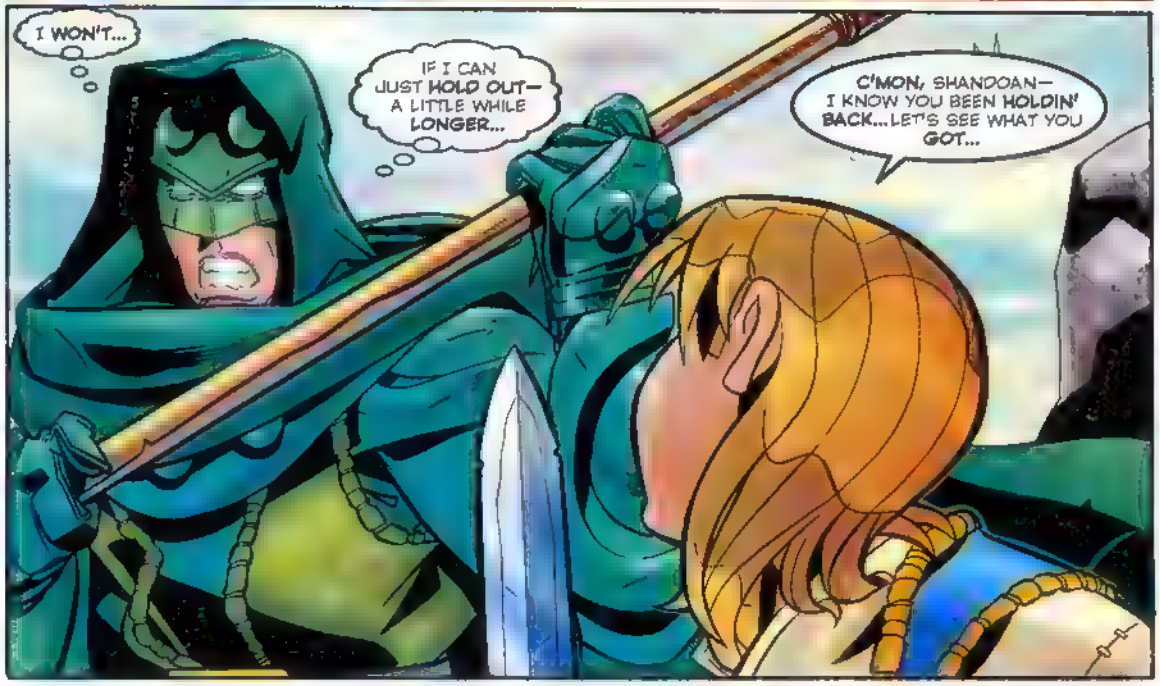
SKRROOOHRSHH!

HOP, MEN! HOP FOR YOUR LIVETH!!

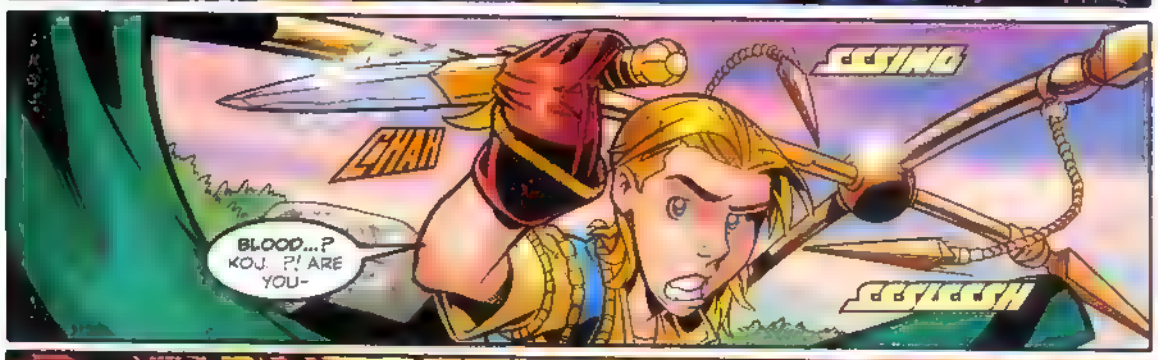
CHANG
CHANG
CHANG
WELL MET, TIGER. YOU FIGHT WITH THE HEART OF A WARRIOR! IT ALMOST MAKES ME SORRY TO HAVE TO TELL YOU THAT THIS BATTLE-

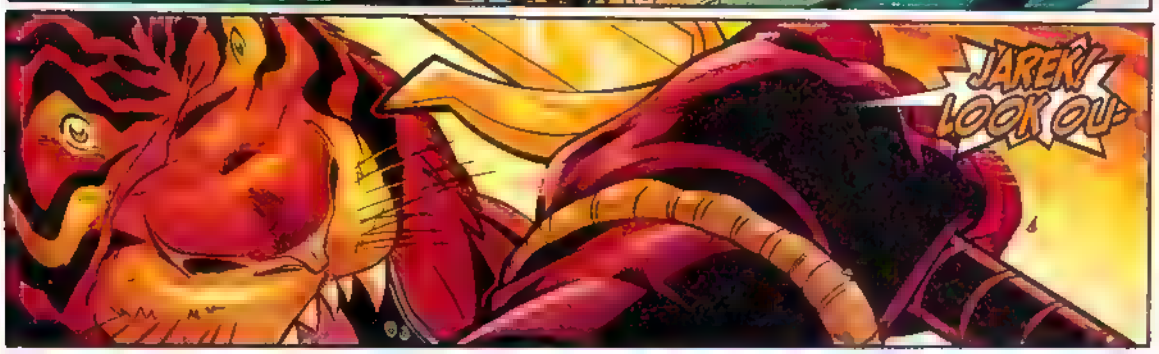
-D'NIKAY! FINISH HIM!-

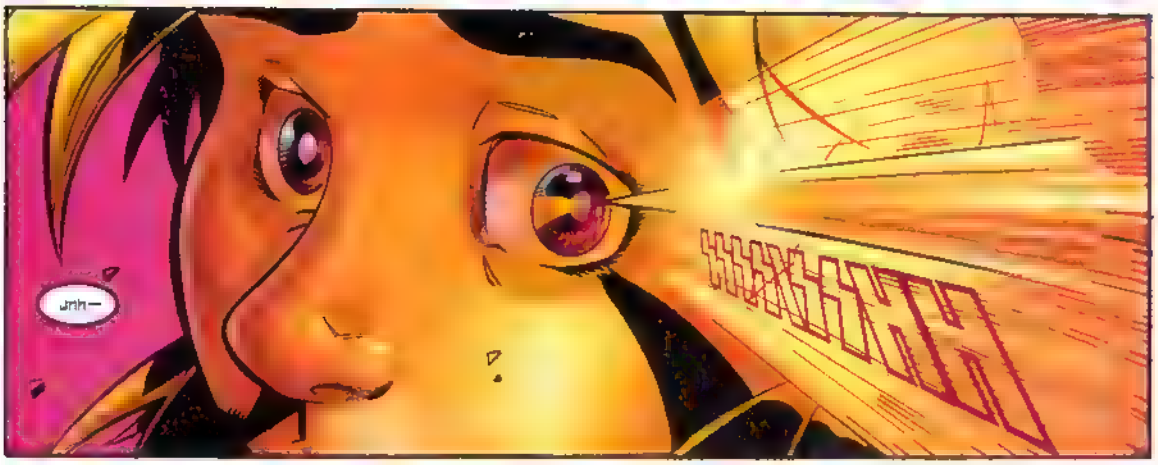

-IS OVER!!
SHIKK
AHHH!


I WON'T...
IF I CAN JUST HOLD OUT— A LITTLE WHILE LONGER...
C'MON, SHANDOAN— I KNOW YOU BEEN HOLDIN' BACK... LET'S SEE WHAT YOU GOT...

YOU SPEAK TRUE, PANTHER! FOR WHILE YOU MAY HAVE DRAWN THIS WARRIOR'S BLOOD—
—IT WILL TAKE MUCH MORE THAN THE LIKES OF YOU TO CRUSH THIS WARRIOR'S HEART!


SSSING
CHAK
BLOOD...? KOJ...?! ARE YOU-
SSSLASH


JAREK! LOOK OU-


Jrrh—
THUNK

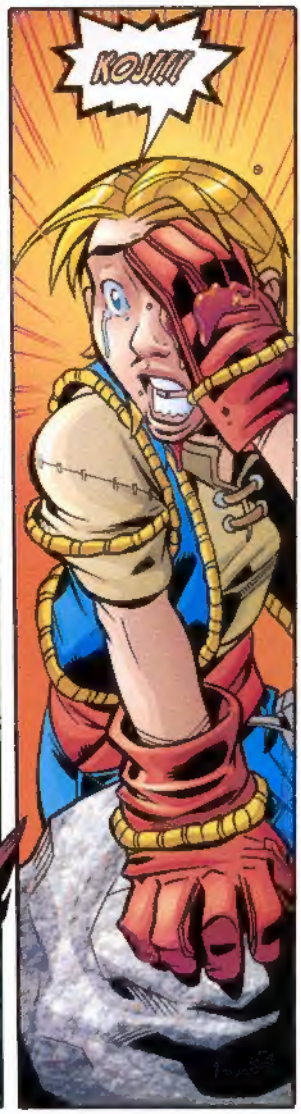
NO!
AAAHHHHH!
SSSHH

JAREK!

BY THE LANDS!-
JAREK- STAY THERE! I'M COM-

FOOL!
SSHWUUUCK
UNGH!!

AND YET, TIGER-HUNGH!-
SSHUPP!
IT IS YOUR WARRIOR'S HEART-
UNGH!
SSHUKK!


KOJ!!!

-WHICH DEFEATS YOU!

DRAGON!! RUNNN!! RUN AWAY!!
STRONG
STRONG
EH?!
HOP!! GO! GO!
HUNH? WHAT THE—
STRONG
STRONG
STRONG STRONG
STRONG
TIME TO MOVE.
STRONG
STRONG STRONG
STRONG
STRONG
HEY! WHO ORDERED THE FROGS?!
OH.
DRAGON.
THEY LIKE FROGS.
HEY! LOOKS LIKE ALLA THE BAD GUYS TOOK OFF—USED THE FROG STAMPEDE FOR COVER—GOOD FIGHT, THOUGH, EVEN IF I STILL HAVE NO IDEA WHAT IT WAS ABOUT...
HI THERE, ICE PRINCESS! I'D SAY IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN, BUT—
RIKK, SHUT UP.

oh.

TO BE CONTINUED